

REMARKS

- Claims 60 and 70-121 are pending
- Claim 60 stands rejected
- Claims 70-121 have not yet been examined
- Claims 60, 70-73 and 93-96 are the only independent claims

Requirement for Information Under 37 CFR § 1.105

As understood by Applicants, the Examiner (in an Office Action mailed December 12, 2002) has required Applicants under 37 CFR § 1.105 to provide the following information:

Information III. A statement of the specific improvements of the subject matter in each of pending Claims 60 and 70-121 over the “disclosed prior art, e.g., USP 5569897,” indicating the specific elements in the claimed subject matter that provide those improvements.

The following statement was made by Applicants in a Response mailed February 3, 2003:

With respect to the requirement for information III, Applicants have made a good faith attempt to obtain the information and a reasonable inquiry has been made in response to the requirement. The information described in III required to be submitted is unknown and/or is not readily available to Applicants. Applicants respectfully submit that in accordance with 37 CFR § 1.105(a)(3) this statement is a complete reply to the requirement for information III.

In the present Office Action, the Examiner states that the previous Response was “not fully responsive to the prior Office Action” with respect to Applicants’ statements regarding information III. Specifically, the Examiner stated during the Interview that Applicants are required to designate whether the requested information III is either (i) unknown or (ii) not readily available. An Interview Summary is being filed concurrently with this Response.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that Applicants have made a good faith attempt to obtain the information, a reasonable inquiry has been made in response to the requirement, and the information III is unknown to Applicants. Applicants respectfully submit that in accordance with 37 CFR § 1.105(a)(3) this statement is a complete reply to the requirement for information III.

Conclusion

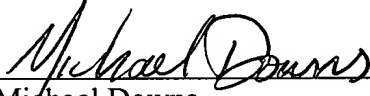
It is submitted that all of the claims are in condition for allowance. The Examiner's early re-examination and reconsideration are respectfully requested.

Applicants do not believe that any fees are required for this Response. Please charge any fees that may be required to Deposit Account No. 50-0271. Furthermore, should an extension of time be required, please grant any extension of time which may be required to make this Response timely, and please charge any fee for such an extension to Deposit Account No. 50-0271.

If the Examiner has any questions regarding this Response or the present application, the Examiner is cordially requested to contact Michael Downs at telephone number (203) 461-7292 or via electronic mail at mdowns@walkerdigital.com.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Sir:

Consideration of the following remarks is respectfully requested.

REMARKSTelephone Interview

Applicants would like to thank the Examiner for the helpful telephone conversation held on May 15, 2003 with Applicants' representatives. The Examiner and Applicants' representatives discussed the present Office Action, which stated that a Response mailed by Applicants December 12, 2003 was "not fully responsive" to a request for information under 37 CFR § 1.105.

During the Telephone Interview, the Examiner explained that with respect to the requested information designated as information III in that Response, Applicants had stated that the information III was "unknown and/or not readily available." The Examiner explained that Applicants must clarify whether the information III is either unknown or not readily available.

Applicants' representative stated that the information III is not known to Applicants. Applicants agreed to submit a Response clarifying that the information III is not known to Applicants. The Response is being filed concurrently herewith.

Applicants are grateful for the opportunity to discuss the present Office Action with the Examiner.

Conclusion


It is submitted that all of the claims are in condition for allowance. The Examiner's early re-examination and reconsideration are respectfully requested.

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